

Amendment No. 4 to HB2143

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Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Bill No. 2396

House Bill No. 2143*

by deleting the preamble and substituting:

WHEREAS, in furtherance of adopting a state education funding formula that is truly based on accountability and transparency, it is incumbent upon the state to stop shifting the true costs of instruction, the largest component of education funding in our state, to local governments; and

WHEREAS, the instructional amount includes funding for the following: instructional supports, such as salaries for classroom teachers; principals; assistant principals; art, music, and physical education teachers in elementary schools; college and career counselors in secondary schools; counselors; social workers; school psychologists; librarians; nurses; school secretaries; substitute teachers; and custodians; and

WHEREAS, the base amount includes funding for the following:

(1) Materials and supplies, such as textbooks, technology, instructional and non-instructional equipment, and classroom-related travel;

(2) Operational expenses, such as maintenance, transportation, school safety, coordinated school health programs, family resource centers, and alternative schools; as well as duty-free lunches and intervention; and

(3) System supports, such as superintendents, technology directors, system secretarial support, and systemwide instructional supervisors; now, therefore,

AND FURTHER AMEND by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision in § 49-3-104 in the amendatory language of Section 1 and redesignating the subsequent subdivisions accordingly:

() "Instructional funding amount" means the uniform dollar amount that each student generates towards the student's instructional allocation in a given year;

AND FURTHER AMEND by adding "and the instructional funding amount" immediately before the semicolon ";" in § 49-3-105(a)(1) in the amendatory language of Section 1.